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## DYNAMITE MAIMS A LOUISA BOY IN CELEBRATION

Ernest Compton, age 16, was horribly mutilated by a dynamite explosion on Perry street in Louisa Wednesday night about nine o'clock.

The right arm was blown off between the wrist and elbow, both eyes are destroyed, a hole was blown in the right chest, the entire face is burned and mangled, his hearing is destroyed or impaired, and his body burned nearly all over the front part.

The unfortunate boy was taken to Riverview hospital at once, and up to the time this was written he was in a stupor. Whether or not he will survive is a question not easy to determine.

The accident occurred in the street between the residences of H. E. Adams and Mrs. Elizabeth Hatcher. Ernest and some other boys had several sticks of dynamite and were shooting in celebration of the election. One charge failed to explode as soon as was expected and Ernest went to it intending to re-light the fuse. Just as he attempted to do so the explosion occurred.

Ernest is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Compton, who live in one of W. M. Justice's houses adjacent to the Louisa Inn. Mr. Compton is a contractor employed by the Norfolk and Western railway on the Portsmouth and Williamson division. Mrs. Compton is a sister of Mrs. W. M. Justice, and Arthur and Rainsch Blankenship. Much sympathy is expressed for the boy and the family.

## COUNCIL MAY ORDER MORE PAVING

The City Council met Tuesday night. The levy for 1921 was laid at 50 cents on each \$100 worth of property for general purposes, which is 25 cents less than the limit allowed by law. It is the same rate to which the present council reduced the levy last year. 25c was laid for taking up the bonds.

The council then adjourned to meet again next Tuesday night, at which time the subject of paving Italy addition and Central addition will be taken up. Also, paving for any other streets not already provided for will be considered if application is made. The expense of the paving is borne by the abutting property owners and it is hoped there will be a full attendance of citizens from the streets involved in this proposition.

## C. & O. TIME CARD CHANGED AGAIN

The C. & O. changed the schedule of two trains on the Big Sandy division Sunday without any previous notice to the public.

The train leaving Ashland in the afternoon runs twenty minutes earlier than before, leaving Ashland at 3:50 and Louisa at 5:20.

The evening train from Pikeville to Ashland runs five minutes earlier than formerly, the time at Louisa now being 7:05.

The C. & O. should publish its schedule changes far enough in advance to save the public from inconvenience.

## ORA COMPTON SHOT FROM AMBUSH

Ora Compton was shot from ambush near Torchlight Wednesday and is seriously injured. The contents of a shot gun took effect in his side and stomach and one arm seems to be paralyzed.

A man living in the neighborhood is suspected, but it is said no direct proof has yet been produced.

Compton is a son of W. P., a good citizen of Lick Creek. He is about 23 years old and unmarried. When shot he was on his way home.

## WEST VIRGINIA JOINS THE PARADE

The Republicans walked away with West Virginia also. In Cabell county the Democrats elected the county clerk, assessor, circuit clerk and one member of the Legislature.

Wayne county elected all Democratic candidates by majorities around 500.

Road Amendments Carried. The one bright spot for everybody in West Virginia was the success of the good roads amendment to the constitution, providing for a state road fund of fifty millions of dollars. Wayne county will get a large slice of the amount, which will enable her to complete a large amount of hard roads.

Fobe Picklesimer, wife and two children, of Texas, motored to Kentucky last week. They were en route to Johnson county and stopped over in Louisa to visit relatives.

## BEATS KING SWOPE IN EIGHTH DISTRICT

The only change in Kentucky's representation in the House took place in the Eighth Congressional District, where Ralph Gilbert, County Judge of Shelby county, defeated King Swope, the present Republican incumbent, by an incomplete majority of 3,774. Judge Gilbert carried seven out of the eleven counties in the district.

Mr. Swope was elected in 1919 to fill out the unexpired term of Harvey Helm, Stanford, who died while holding office. He was a captain during the war and in the special election defeated Judge Charles A. Hardin, Harrodsburg, Democratic State chairman.

## STOCK LAW WINS.

In Rockcastle precinct a vote was taken Tuesday on the question of live stock running at large. The vote stood 113 to 45 in favor of keeping up the stock.

## HENRY ELDERMAN DEAD.

Henry P. Elderman died at his home at Ashland Thursday morning after a long illness. His body will be brought to Louisa Friday morning and will be taken to Little Blaine for burial. He married in Lawrence county and lived here for many years, moving to Ashland a few years ago.

## GOLDEN WEDDING AT BUCHANAN, KY.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Compton celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their residence at Buchanan, Ky., on October 27th.

Those of the family who were present were: L. B. Compton, Portsmouth, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Compton, of Lock No. 2, Kavanaugh; Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Compton, Racine, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Compton and two children, Ashland; Mr. and Mrs. John Compton and four children, Ashland; Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Pritchard and two sons, of Buchanan; and Mr. and Mrs. Burns Finney and two children, of Burnham. Five of the six sons and the one daughter were present. One son, J. R. Compton, of Eastwood, Ohio, was unable to be present.

The day was greatly enjoyed. The table which extended the entire length of the long dining room was loaded with all the good things usually found on such occasions. In the center of the table was a lovely bouquet of cut flowers and the dining room was decorated with autumn flowers. Seated at one end of the table was the blushing "bride and groom," surrounded by the five sons and daughter. Many neighbors were also present to enjoy the day.

The afternoon was spent in picture making and relating childhood experiences. Mr. and Mrs. Compton have spent their entire married life here and are highly respected. Mrs. Compton was a daughter of David Kinner, one of our pioneer citizens.

May they enjoy many years more. They were the recipients of many beautiful presents.

## SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. STEVENS

President Geo. W. Stevens of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Company dropped dead in his cottage at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., Wednesday morning while seated at his desk looking over his morning mail. The cause of his death is unknown, the suddenness of it coming as a great shock to all his friends and associates.

Mr. Stevens' career has been remarkable in that he has risen through all the ranks of the railroad business. He thoroughly understood the intricate working of the railways, and was regarded as one of the best authorities in the country on questions of transportation.

## WILLIAM BOYD DIES IN CLEVELAND, OHIO

Huntington—Funeral services for William Boyd, who died Wednesday at Cleveland, Ohio, of heart trouble, were held Monday afternoon at the home of a son, Charles Boyd, 702 1/2 Eighth avenue, Rev. M. L. Wood officiating. Interment was made in the Spring Hill cemetery.

He is survived by three sons and three daughters, Charles Boyd, of Huntington; John Boyd, of Pritchard, W. Va.; Sherman Boyd, of Normal, Ky.; Mrs. Lisette Salyer, of Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Mary Dillon, of Charleston, W. Va.; and Mrs. Bessie Rice, of Huntington.

He is also survived by three sisters and two brothers, Mrs. Frank Burgess, Mrs. Mack Fitch, both of Thealka, Ky.; Mrs. Wilda Childers, of Emma, Ky.; W. S. Boyd, of Paintsville, Ky., and Charles Boyd, of Princess, Ky.—Herald Dispatch.

## SCHOOLBOY "HOPS" TRAIN; LOSES LEG

Ashland, Ky., Oct. 27. Frank Pope, 16 years old, of Leon, near this city, son of Watt Pope, when going to school, attempted to jump aboard a passing train and was thrown beneath. A leg was so badly crushed that he was brought here to the King's Daughters' Hospital, where it was found necessary to amputate the injured limb.

# LANDSLIDE ELECTS HARDING PRESIDENT



WARREN G. HARDING, NEXT PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Congress Also Very Properly Goes the Same Way, Giving the Republicans Full Responsibility.

## KENTUCKY DEMOCRATIC BY A SAFE MAJORITY

Senator William Gamaliel Harding, of Ohio, was elected President last Tuesday by one of those landslides that periodically takes place in the United States.

His request for a partisan Congress was granted by the people and there will be no more such shifting of responsibility for the next two years as has been witnessed during the last two.

Ohio gives Harding something near 200,000. The Republican candidate for Governor wins by a majority of about 50,000.

New York elects a Republican Governor by a small majority.

Tennessee is claimed by the Republicans, but Democrats do not concede it.

New York, Nov. 3.—The Republican landslide continued to roll along in even greater proportions today as belated election returns came in from the West.

Besides electing Harding it was assured that the Republicans would increase their margin in both houses of Congress, and in the Senate, in particular, would change their precarious control by one to a substantial working majority.

Congressional returns from many States were slow, as were, indeed, the returns on the vote for President. But on the basis of actual returns at hand and indications from partial returns coming in, it seemed that Harding would have not less than 330 votes in the electoral college with a probability of more than 350, while all that could be counted in the Cox column were the 127 votes from the Solid South.

Unless some sudden change were to appear it seemed that the returns were making good the Republican prediction that Cox would not carry a Western or a Northern State.

In many of its aspects the election was very unusual. It developed what may turn out to be the greatest Republican victory of party history. Both the Democratic candidate and his chief managers conceded defeat before enough returns actually were in to show it in figures.

Everywhere the shift toward the Republican column was heavy. Many States which went to the Democratic strength when Wilson defeated Hughes in the sensational election of 1916 returned to the Republican column in Tuesday's balloting.

Boston going Republican for the second time in its history, New York giving Harding an unheard-of plurality and ratios of two to one in many states give indications of the proportions of the Republican slide which apparently left the Democratic candidate nothing but the traditionally solid South.

With the Presidency and Congress went loss to the Democrats of Governors, State Legislatures and other State and local candidates. The break even threatened to extend into the border States hitherto "Solid South," with Republican gains in some Southern states larger than any since the Civil War.

The unofficial results presaged a larger majority in the Electoral College for Senator Harding and his running mate, Governor Coolidge, of Massachusetts, than any since 1888, except alone the vote of 435 for President Wilson in 1912, during the Republican "split."

The Republican Congressional swing was as strong, increased majorities in both Senate and House being marked up. Early today victory for virtually all fifteen Republican Senators for reelection was spelled by the returns, while about a half dozen of the nineteen Democratic candidates were battling against Republican leads.

Kentucky Returns. Old Kentucky has come back home, regardless of the money of Ernst and Hert and national headquarters. Cox and Beckham win by safe majorities and a Congressman is gained in the eighth district.

## THE RESULT IN LAWRENCE COUNTY

No.	Precinct	Harding	Cox	Ernst	Beckham	Blair	Fields
1.	East Fork	50	133	50	133	50	134
2.	Dry Fork	86	290	85	301	85	291
3.	Falls of Blaine	107	201	103	200	103	200
4.	Blaine	213	85	213	85	213	85
5.	Little Blaine	177	102	175	102	175	102
6.	Peach Orchard	59	109	58	107	58	107
7.	Rockcastle	179	68	179	68	179	68
8.	Lyon	94	147	94	147	94	147
9.	Upper Louisa	171	204	169	206	170	205
10.	Georges Creek	169	92	169	92	169	92
11.	Cherokee	164	32	164	32	164	32
12.	Bear Creek	137	147	137	147	136	148
13.	Twin Branch	68	149	68	149	67	150
14.	Sweetnam	222	37	221	36	221	36
15.	Dobbins	216	62	212	62	211	63
16.	Lower Louisa	247	289	241	292	244	290
17.	Gambill	180	59	179	56	179	56
18.	Catt	68	158	68	158	68	158
19.	Busseyville	122	67	122	67	122	67
20.	Five Forks	48	113	48	107	48	107
21.	Torchlight	62	47	61	48	61	48
TOTALS		2839	2551	2816	2545	2817	2546
MAJORITY		288		271		271	

## LAWRENCE COUNTY ELECTION RESULT

The result in Lawrence county is admitted by some of the Republican leaders to be quite a disappointment to them. The organization was the most complete they have ever had and school house meetings were held almost every night, and at several places on some nights, with speakers sent out by the organization. From State headquarters they sent workers here, both men and women, it is said, who spent some time in superintending the work of organization and "rousing." The majority expected ran all the way from 400 to 800, according to the enthusiasm and vigor of the estimator. The vote of the women usually doubles the normal majority of a county when conditions are normal. This accounts for the average expectation for Lawrence to be about 500 Republican majority.

Mr. R. L. Vinson, chairman of the Democratic campaign committee, says in view of the above facts he is well pleased with the results in Lawrence, and he extends thanks to those who assisted in the work.

## STREET BONDS WON LARGELY

The fact that more than two-thirds of the people in Louisa are in earnest about civic improvement has again been demonstrated by the result of the vote on bonds to pave the intersections of the streets. \$15,000 is the engineer's estimate of the amount needed to complete all the intersections included in the entire paving project as already adopted and contracted, and which is expected to be completed next year.

In the upper ward the vote was 136 for bonds and 27 against. The lower ward gave 208 for and 105 against.

## COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The following were elected to compose the County Board of Education in Lawrence County. There were seven candidates:

S. W. Burton.  
Martin Burchett.  
A. F. Bishop.  
Joe White, Jr.  
Mack Sammons.

This is under the new law. Next March this board will elect a county superintendent of schools for four years.

## MAN IN JAIL TO BE COUNTY JUDGE

Whitesburg, Ky., Nov. 3.—Fess Whitaker, former jailer, but now in jail, carried Letcher county for County Judge over Stevens Combs, Jr., by 1901 majority. This closed one of the most interesting campaigns in the history of the county.

Whitaker, prisoner in his own jail, conducted his campaign against odds, and made speeches from the jail door.

## Senator Beckham Winner by 6,000



Senator J. C. W. Beckham

## Late Figures Show Kentucky 16,000 Plurality for Cox.

Latest tabulated returns in the race between Senator Beckham and R. P. Ernst, Covington, for United States Senator, as received by the Associated Press and the Louisville Times, show Senator Beckham has a majority of 6,094. In cases where a few mountain counties are out, the majorities of 1916 have been doubled for purposes of estimation. This is considered a liberal estimate and it is believed that Senator Beckham probably will have a larger majority than the figure indicated. Kenton county, which went 4,600 for Cox, went more than 1,000 for Ernst. Senator Beckham ran behind and Ernst ahead of their respective tickets there, Ernst picking up 2,000.

Governor Cox would seem to have carried the State safely by about 16,000.

## OUR NEIGHBOR COUNTIES.

Floyd county gave a Democratic majority of 804 for Cox and Beckham.  
Knott county's plurality for Cox is 1491 and for Beckham 1451.  
Johnson county gave 2600 majority for Harding and Ernst. H. B. Conley was elected county judge and Isaac Rice commonwealth's attorney. The county board of education is George W. Butcher, J. H. Picklesimer, H. M. Rice, W. B. Richmond, J. H. Baldwin.  
Boyd county gave Harding 1219 majority.  
Fike county's Republican majority is about 2500.